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SUBJ: EXPORT RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS: QATAR

REF: STATE 146681

1. EXPORT RESTRICTIONS CURRENTLY IN FORCE IN QATAR AFFECT CRUDE OIL EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS OF FOODSTUFFS AND COMMODITIES. SINCE OCTOBER 1973, CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION IN QATAR HAS BEEN LIMITED TO 520,000 BARRELS PER DAY. PRODUCTION CEILING WAS ESTABLISHED AS CONSERVATION MEASURE, AND IS EXPECTED TO BE IN EFFECT INDEFINITELY.

2. SINCE MID-1973, RE-EXPORT OF ALL COMMODITY IMPORTS SUBSIDIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN PROHIBITED. PRODUCTS INCLUDED ARE RICE, CEMENT, SUGAR, WHEAT AND OTHER GRAIN PRODUCTS. PURPOSE OF REGULATION IS TO PREVENT PROFITEERING BY LOCAL MERCHANTS AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE AND TO INSURE THAT QATAR DOES NOT FACE SHORTAGES OF VITAL COMMODITIES. PROHIBITION WILL CONTINUE AS LONG AS GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZES IMPORTS.

3. A DIRECTIVE HAS JUST COME INTO EFFECT THAT WILL PROHIBIT EXPORT OR RE-EXPORT OF ALL FOOD ITEMS WITHOUT SPECIAL

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PERMISSION. ACCORDING TO AUGUST 3 NEWSPAPER REPORT,

DECISION COVERS "FRESH, DRY, CANNED OR FROZEN FOODSTUFFS".  
REASON FOR DECISION WAS GIVEN AS NECESSITY TO PREVENT FOOD  
SHORTAGES.  
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